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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Representative Hannig in the chair.

Prayer by Pastor Donald Johnson with the Destiny Baptist Church in Rock Island, Illinois.

Representative Joseph Lyons led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:

113 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Bailey, Colvin, Hassert and Osterman were excused from attendance.

REQUEST TO BE SHOWN ON QUORUM

Having been absent when the Quorum Roll Call for Attendance was taken, this is to advise you that I, Representative McCarthy, should be recorded as present at the hour of 2:00 o'clock p.m.

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative Brauer replaced Representative Hassert in the Committee on Rules on October 20, 2005.

Representative Hannig replaced Representative Franks, Representative Madigan replaced Representative Collins, Representative Feigenholtz replaced Representative John Bradley, Representative Rita replaced Representative Dugan in the Committee on State Government Administration on October 21, 2005.

Representative Beaubien replaced Representative Hassert in the Committee on Rules on October 24, 2005.

Representative Rose will replace Representative Hassert in the Committee on Rules for today only.

Representative Rose will replace Representative Stephens in the Committee on Judiciary II - Criminal Law for today only.

Representative Black will replace Representative Bassi in the Committee on Tourism & Conventions for today only.

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

October 20, 2005

Mark Mahoney
Chief Clerk of the House
402 State House
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Clerk Mahoney:

Please be advised that I am extending the Final Action Deadline to January 11, 2006 for the following House Bills and Senate Bills:

House Bills: 157, 2108 and 2928.

Senate Bills: 293 and 1943.

If you have questions, please contact my Chief of Staff, Tim Mapes, at 782-6360.

With kindest personal regards, I remain.

Sincerely yours,
s/Michael J. Madigan
Speaker of the House

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on October 20, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bills be reported "approved for consideration" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILLS 157, 2108, 2928 and SENATE BILL 1943.

That the Floor Amendment be reported "recommends be adopted": Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL 1920.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:
4, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie, Barbara(D), Chairperson
Y Hannig, Gary(D)
Y Turner, Arthur(D)

A Black, William(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Hassert, Brent(R) (Brauer)

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 65.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:
3, Yeas; 0, Nays; 2, Answering Present.

Y Currie, Barbara(D), Chairperson
Y Hannig, Gary(D)
Y Turner, Arthur(D)

P Black, William(R), Republican Spokesperson
P Hassert, Brent(R) (Rose)

COMMITTEE ON RULES REFERRALS

Representative Currie, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, reported the following legislative measures and/or joint action motions have been assigned as follows:

Elementary & Secondary Education: SENATE BILL 293.

Mass Transit: HOUSE RESOLUTION 650.

State Government Administration: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 1843 and HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 1879.

COMMITTEE ON RULES REASSIGNMENTS

Representative Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules, reassigned the following legislation: HOUSE BILL 1498 was recalled from the Committee on Personnel and Pensions and reassigned to the Committee on Executive.

VETO MOTIONS SUBMITTED

Representative John Bradley submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

MOTION

I move that HOUSE BILL 2528 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

LAND CONVEYANCE APPRAISAL NOTE SUPPLIED

A Land Conveyance Appraisal Note has been supplied for SENATE BILL 1213.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Hawker, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of the following joint resolution, to-wit:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 65

Concurred in the Senate, October 25, 2005.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Hoffman, Chairperson, from the Committee on Transportation and Motor Vehicles to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 66.

The committee roll call vote on House Joint Resolution 66 is as follows:

20, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Hoffman, Jay(D), Chairperson

Y Black, William(R)

Y Brauer, Rich(R)

Y D'Amico, John(D)

Y Froehlich, Paul(R)

Y Joyce, Kevin(D)

Y Mathias, Sidney(R)

A McCarthy, Kevin(D)

Y Miller, David(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Nekritz, Elaine(D)

Y Ramey, Harry(R)

Y Stephens, Ron(R)

Y Tryon, Michael(R)

Y Washington, Eddie(D)

Y Beiser, Daniel(D)

Y Bost, Mike(R)

A Brosnahan, James(D)

Y Fritchey, John(D)

A Graham, Deborah(D)

A Lyons, Joseph(D)

Y McAuliffe, Michael(R)

Y Mendoza, Susana(D)

A Molaro, Robert(D)

Y Poe, Raymond(R)

A Soto, Cynthia(D)

Y Tenhouse, Art(R)

A Wait, Ronald(R), Republican Spokesperson

Representative Richard Bradley, Chairperson, from the Committee on Personnel and Pensions to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTION 606 and 654.

The committee roll call vote on House Resolution 606 is as follows:

5, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Bradley, Richard(D), Chairperson

Y Burke, Daniel(D)

Y Poe, Raymond(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Brauer, Rich(R)

Y Colvin, Marlow(D), Vice-Chairperson (Gordon)

The committee roll call vote on House Resolution 654 is as follows:

3, Yeas; 0, Nays; 2, Answering Present.

Y Bradley, Richard(D), Chairperson
Y Burke, Daniel(D)
P Poe, Raymond(R), Republican Spokesperson

P Brauer, Rich(R)
Y Colvin, Marlow(D), Vice-Chairperson (Gordon)

Representative Franks, Chairperson, from the Committee on State Government Administration to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the Floor Amendment be reported "recommends be adopted":

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL 1843.

Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL 1879.

That the resolutions be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 597 and 621.

The committee roll call vote on Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1843 is as follows:

5, Yeas; 3, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Franks, Jack(D), Chairperson
Y Chavez, Michelle(D)
Y Dugan, Lisa(D), Vice-Chairperson
N Myers, Richard(R)
A Stephens, Ron(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Bradley, John(D)
Y Collins, Annazette(D)
N Mitchell, Bill(R)
N Ramey, Harry(R)

The committee roll call vote on Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1879 is as follows:

7, Yeas; 0, Nays; 1, Answering Present.

Y Franks, Jack(D), Chairperson
Y Chavez, Michelle(D)
Y Dugan, Lisa(D), Vice-Chairperson
P Myers, Richard(R)
A Stephens, Ron(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Bradley, John(D)
Y Collins, Annazette(D)
Y Mitchell, Bill(R)
Y Ramey, Harry(R)

The committee roll call vote on House Resolutions 597 and 621 is as follows:

8, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Franks, Jack(D), Chairperson
Y Chavez, Michelle(D)
Y Dugan, Lisa(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Myers, Richard(R)
A Stephens, Ron(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Bradley, John(D)
Y Collins, Annazette(D)
Y Mitchell, Bill(R)
Y Ramey, Harry(R)

Representative Dunkin, Chairperson, from the Committee on Tourism & Conventions to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 64.

The committee roll call vote on House Joint Resolution 64 is as follows:

6, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Dunkin, Kenneth(D), Chairperson
Y Bassi, Suzanne(R), Rep. Spokesperson(Black)
A Giles, Calvin(D)
Y McGuire, Jack(D)
A Pihos, Sandra(R)

A Bailey, Patricia(D)
Y Feigenholtz, Sara(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Jenisch, Roger(R)
Y Mitchell, Jerry(R)

Representative Delgado, Chairperson, from the Committee on Human Services to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1620.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1620 is as follows:

9, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Delgado, William(D), Chairperson

Y Chavez, Michelle(D)

Y Coulson, Elizabeth(R)

A Dunn, Joe(R)

Y Howard, Constance(D)

Y Jenisch, Roger(R)

Y Bellock, Patricia(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Collins, Annazette(D)

A Cultra, Shane(R)

A Flowers, Mary(D)

Y Jakobsson, Naomi(D)

Y Rita, Robert(D), Vice-Chairperson

Representative Molaro, Chairperson, from the Committee on Judiciary II - Criminal Law to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 273 and 319.

That the resolution be reported ”recommends be adopted” and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTION 530.

The committee roll call vote on House Resolution 530, Senate Bills 273 and 319 is as follows:

16, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Molaro, Robert(D), Chairperson

Y Bradley, John(D)

Y Cultra, Shane(R)

Y Froehlich, Paul(R)

Y Howard, Constance(D)

Y Lindner, Patricia(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Reis, David(R)

Y Stephens, Ron(R) (Rose)

Y Bailey, Patricia(D) (Younge)

Y Collins, Annazette(D)

Y Delgado, William(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Gordon, Careen(D)

Y Jones, Lovana(D)

Y Mautino, Frank(D)

Y Sacia, Jim(R)

Y Wait, Ronald(R)

Representative Giles, Chairperson, from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 293.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 293 is as follows:

20, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Giles, Calvin(D), Chairperson

Y Bassi, Suzanne(R)

Y Chapa LaVia, Linda(D)

Y Dugan, Lisa(D)

Y Flider, Robert(D)

Y Miller, David(D)

Y Moffitt, Donald(R)

Y Munson, Ruth(R)

Y Pihos, Sandra(R)

Y Reis, David(R)

Y Watson, Jim(R)

Y Davis, Monique(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Beiser, Daniel(D)

Y Colvin, Marlow(D) (D’Amico)

Y Eddy, Roger(R)

Y Joyce, Kevin(D)

Y Mitchell, Jerry(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Mulligan, Rosemary(R)

A Osterman, Harry(D)

Y Pritchard, Robert(R)

Y Smith, Michael(D)

Representative Jefferson, Chairperson, from the Committee on Elections & Campaign Reform to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 204 and 1445.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bills 204 and 1445 is as follows:

7, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Jefferson, Charles(D), Chairperson	Y D'Amico, John(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Beiser, Daniel(D)	Y Flider, Robert(D)
Y Myers, Richard(R)	Y Wait, Ronald(R)
Y Winters, Dave(R), Republican Spokesperson	

Representative Saviano, Chairperson, from the Committee on Registration and Regulation to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 331.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 331 is as follows:

23, Yeas; 0, Nays; 1, Answering Present.

Y Saviano, Angelo(R), Chairperson	Y Acevedo, Edward(D)
Y Bellock, Patricia(R)	A Bradley, Richard(D)
P Brauer, Rich(R)	Y Burke, Daniel(D)
Y Coulson, Elizabeth(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Davis, Monique(D)
Y Delgado, William(D)	Y Fritchey, John(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Froehlich, Paul(R)	Y Granberg, Kurt(D)
Y Holbrook, Thomas(D)	Y Joyce, Kevin(D)
Y Kosel, Renee(R)	Y Mautino, Frank(D)
Y McAuliffe, Michael(R)	A Mendoza, Susana(D)
Y Miller, David(D)	Y Mulligan, Rosemary(R)
Y Munson, Ruth(R)	Y Phelps, Brandon(D) (Lang)
Y Pritchard, Robert(R)	Y Reis, David(R)
Y Reitz, Dan(D)	Y Sullivan, Ed(R)

Representative Fritchey, Chairperson, from the Committee on Judiciary I - Civil Law to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Standard Debate: SENATE BILL 1681.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1681 is as follows:

8, Yeas; 6, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Fritchey, John(D), Chairperson	Y Bradley, John(D), Vice-Chairperson (Currie)
Y Brosnahan, James(D)	Y Gordon, Careen(D)
Y Hamos, Julie(D)	Y Hoffman, Jay(D)
N Hultgren, Randall(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Lang, Lou(D)
N Mathias, Sidney(R)	Y Nekritz, Elaine(D)
N Osmond, JoAnn(R)	N Rose, Chapin(R)
N Sacia, Jim(R)	N Wait, Ronald(R)

Representative Burke, Chairperson, from the Committee on Executive to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1213.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1213 is as follows:

12, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Burke, Daniel(D), Chairperson

Y Berrios, Maria(D)

Y Bradley, Richard(D)

Y Jones, Lovana(D)

Y Lyons, Eileen(R)

Y McKeon, Larry(D)

Y Saviano, Angelo(R)

Y Acevedo, Edward(D)

Y Biggins, Bob(R)

A Hassert, Brent(R)

Y Kosel, Renee(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Lyons, Joseph(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Molaro, Robert(D)

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 65

Offered by Representative Currie:

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the two Houses shall convene in Joint Session on Tuesday, October 25, 2005 at the hour of 12:00 o'clock noon for the purpose of hearing his Excellency Governor Rod Blagojevich present to the General Assembly his message on the new program "All Kids", offering health insurance for uninsured children.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 663

Offered by Representative Miller:

WHEREAS, According to the 2003 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 12.3 million Americans age 12 and older (5.2 percent of the population) had tried methamphetamine ("meth") at least once in their lifetime, with the majority of past-year users being between 18 and 34 years of age; and

WHEREAS, By altering the levels of neurotransmitters in the brain, methamphetamine causes feelings of pleasure and euphoria; methamphetamine is a neurotoxin and potent stimulant, which can also cause cerebral edema and hemorrhage, paranoia, and hallucinations; short-term effects include insomnia, hyperactivity, decreased appetite, increased respiration, and tremors; long-term effects can include psychological addiction, stroke, violent behavior, anxiety, confusion, paranoia, auditory hallucinations, mood disturbances, and delusions; methamphetamine use can eventually cause depletion of monoamines in the brain, which can have an effect on learning; and

WHEREAS, With high doses there may be an increase in both systolic and diastolic blood pressure due to cardiac stimulation; in addition, methamphetamine may produce arrhythmias; other systemic effects include shortness of breath, hyperthermia, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea; and

WHEREAS, Crystal meth is a highly and quickly addictive, illegal street drug, ranking with crack cocaine in popularity; it causes a reduction in saliva; "meth heads" tend to drink a lot of soda, both to relieve the dryness in the mouth and to add to the "high"; their oral hygiene is generally poor; food and good nutrition become secondary to a new supply of meth; meth is said to reduce blood supply to the gingiva, causing periodontal problems; and

WHEREAS, Dental health care professionals should be aware that methamphetamine use is on the rise in the U.S.; the allure of this drug is that it is cheap, it is easy to make, and the "high" lasts much longer than crack cocaine (12 hours versus one hour for cocaine); as well as being a potent central nervous system stimulant that can cause permanent brain damage, methamphetamine's oral health effects are substantial, as users often crave high-calorie, carbonated, sugary beverages, or they may grind or clench their teeth; and

WHEREAS, The oral health effects of methamphetamine use can be devastating; reports have described rampant caries that resembles early childhood caries and is being referred to as "meth mouth"; a distinctive caries pattern can often be seen on the buccal smooth surface of the teeth and the interproximal surfaces of the anterior teeth; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the Department of Public Health to develop guidelines, for distribution to health care professionals, that identify symptoms of "meth mouth" in patients that include the following:

- (1) unaccounted-for and accelerated tooth decay in teenagers and young adults;
- (2) distinctive patterns of decay on the buccal smooth surface of the teeth and the interproximal surfaces of the anterior teeth; and
- (3) malnourished appearance in heavy users, because methamphetamine acts as an appetite suppressant; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be delivered to the Director of Public Health.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered printed and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 4131. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning children.

HOUSE BILL 4132. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4133. Introduced by Representative Myers, AN ACT concerning employment.

HOUSE BILL 4134. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning civil liabilities.

HOUSE BILL 4135. Introduced by Representative Jakobsson, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4136. Introduced by Representative Hannig, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 4137. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 4138. Introduced by Representative Osmond, AN ACT concerning name changes.

HOUSE BILL 4139. Introduced by Representative Ramey, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 4140. Introduced by Representative Davis, Monique, AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL 4141. Introduced by Representative Davis, Monique, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4142. Introduced by Representative Davis, Monique, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4143. Introduced by Representatives Hamos - Krause - Leitch - Coulson - Lyons, Eileen and Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 4144. Introduced by Representative Boland, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 4145. Introduced by Representatives Bellock - Krause - Leitch - Coulson - Lyons, Eileen and Mulligan, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 4146. Introduced by Representatives Bellock - Krause - Leitch - Coulson - Mulligan, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 4147. Introduced by Representatives Flider - Mitchell, Bill - Hannig - Brauer, AN ACT in relation to economic development.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 655

Offered by Representative Miller:

WHEREAS, Burnel Elton Coulon has served Omega Psi Phi Fraternity for over half a century; his service to the fraternity has spanned five districts during his tenure; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coulon was influenced by the men of Rho Phi Chapter in his native New Orleans and

was initiated through Lambda Epsilon at Tuskegee Institute; and

WHEREAS, Upon his graduation from the Tuskegee Institute, Mr. Coulon transferred his membership to Iota Omicron, which served the Delta of Mississippi; he became its Basileus and was later elected to the second highest office of the Seventh District as First Vice President; and

WHEREAS, While a graduate student at North Carolina A&T State University, Mr. Coulon became associated with Mu Psi and was named its 1975 Outstanding Graduate Alumnus of the Year; he later became affiliated with the Fifth District through Theta Omega in Louisville, Kentucky and the Tenth District through Zeta Phi in Indianapolis, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, As Basileus of Zeta Phi, Mr. Coulon developed a program that rewards academic achievement; this program continues to provide thousands of dollars in financial aid to youth seeking higher education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coulon's administration as District Representative has employed undergraduates in responsible positions of influence, making use of the skills they learned in the classroom and providing valuable experience for their development; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coulon is a patient and respectful administrator, an articulate spokesman and crusader, an inspiring leader, and a warm human being who believes in the Omega experience and gives of himself to repay the rich heritage the fraternity has given to him; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Burnel Elton Coulon on his more than 50 years of service to the youth of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Burnel Elton Coulon as an expression of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 656

Offered by Representative John Bradley:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois learned with sadness of the death of Pete Moschino of Coello on May 21, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Moschino served as the Village of Coello's mayor for 44 years, having first taken office in 1961; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure, the Village saw its first water and sewer service and street paving program; he is also credited with finding and helping with grant opportunities and applications; with the help of seemingly endless Sunday chicken and dumpling benefit dinners prepared by the Coello Dumpling Gang and a grant, the Village was able to build a new community center; he also helped with grants for a new City Hall, fire truck, and housing rehabilitation for residents; and

WHEREAS, He was born June 26, 1935, to Jim and Madeline (Yubaudi) Moschino; he married Pat (Youngman) Moschino on December 31, 1957; and

WHEREAS, He was a farmer and a retired coal miner for Arch Coal; he was a member of the Italian Lodge in DuQuoin and attended Coello Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his parents; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Pete Moschino is felt by all who knew and loved him, especially his wife of 47 years, Pat; his children, Mark and Kathie Moschino, Kathy and Jim Lind, and Tricia and Charles Calloni; his grandchildren, Abijah and Holly Queen, Christina Moschino, Andy Moschino, Calebe Calloni, Josh Calloni, Dustin Lind, and Spenser Lind; his great-grandchildren, Isreal and Isaac Queen; and his brother, Frank and wife Betty Moschino; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Pete Moschino and extend our sincerest condolences to his family, friends, and community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to his family as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 657

Offered by Representative Phelps:

WHEREAS, Fern Gregg of Goreville was presented with a Governor's Unique Achievement Award on Wednesday, October 5, 2005, in Springfield; she was nominated for the award by the Egyptian Area Agency on Aging; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gregg started her new endeavor as a dedicated Red Cross volunteer in 1998 when she was 78 years old; she is now age 83, still working tirelessly for the Red Cross and assisting the people around her; before starting with the Red Cross, she worked for 18 years as an office manager for the Southern Baptist Student Center and dormitory on the SIUC College campus; and

WHEREAS, She is not a stranger to hard work and still has more energy than anyone can imagine; since becoming a Red Cross volunteer, she has served not only the communities in the 14 counties of southern Illinois, but also in disaster situations around the country, including at Ground Zero after September 11, 2001, and in Alabama, Louisiana, Minnesota, and Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Senior adults who have suffered a disaster often will not seek the help they need because they feel the younger families are in more need of the assistance offered; Ms. Gregg serves as a mentor for these seniors and lovingly encourages them to seek help; she is well-respected by her peers and colleagues alike; and

WHEREAS, Her strong belief in community is shared at various health fairs and speaking engagements; she holds down the Red Cross office when the manager and other key leadership must be away and helps out with day-to-day operations; she also volunteers as head of the library in her church and is very committed to helping both in her church and community; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Fern Gregg on being a recipient of the Governor's Unique Achievement Award, and we thank her for the many hours of devoted community service that she puts in on daily basis; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Ms. Gregg as an expression of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 658

Offered by Representative Bellock:

WHEREAS, On October 16th, 2005, the Chicago White Sox clinched the American League Pennant by defeating the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim 6-3 in the deciding game of the American League Championship Series; the Chicago White Sox, after losing the first game of the series, rebounded with four consecutive complete-game pitching performances, an accomplishment that had not previously been achieved in the history of Major League Baseball's American or National League Championship Series, and this White Sox pitching staff dominated by allowing the Angels only eight runs and twenty hits in thirty-six innings, winning the 2005 ALCS Pennant four games to one; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago White Sox have not made the trip to the World Series of Major League Baseball since 1959, when the "Go-Go" White Sox played the Los Angeles Dodgers, and, furthermore, have not won the MLB World Series Championship since 1917, in which the Chicago White Sox beat the New York Giants four games to two; and

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago and the State of Illinois have not hosted a Major League Baseball World Series since the White Sox appearance in 1959; and

WHEREAS, The 2005 Chicago White Sox, under second-year coach and manager Ozzie Guillen, won the regular season American League Central Division and dominated the American League with a league best 99 wins and 63 losses, then went on to defeat the 2004 MLB World Series Champions, the Boston Red Sox, sweeping the Red Sox three games to none in the American League Division Series, and then soundly defeating the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim to become the first Chicago White Sox team in 46 years to reach the World Series, and finally, the 2005 Chicago White Sox can be the first Chicago White Sox team in 88 years to be Major League Baseball's World Champions; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the 2005 Chicago White Sox be recognized and applauded for their accomplishments during the 2005 season, for their talent and teamwork displayed on the field, for their excellence and humility off the field, for the outstanding coaching staff leading the team, and for the brilliant ownership and management that crafted and built the 2005 Chicago White Sox; and be

it further

RESOLVED, In further recognition of their accomplishments, it is the honor of the 94th General Assembly of the State of Illinois to acknowledge the Chicago White Sox fight song "Let's Go Go-Go White Sox", by Captain Stubby and the Buccaneers (1959), in tribute to the 2005 Chicago White Sox; the words to "Let's Go Go-Go White Sox" are as follows:

"Let's go, Go-Go White Sox
We're with you all the way
You're always in there fighting and you do your best
We're glad to have you out here in the middle west
We're gonna root root root root White Sox
And cheer you on to victory
When we're in the stands we'll make those rafters ring
All through the season you will hear us sing
Let's go, Go-Go White Sox
Chicago is proud of you
White Sox
White Sox
Go, go White Sox
Root root root for the White Sox
We'll cheer you on to victory
When we're in the stands we'll make those rafters ring
All through the season you will hear us sing
Let's go, Go-Go White Sox
Chicago is proud of you
White Sox
White Sox
Go, go White Sox
Let's go, Go-Go White Sox
Chicago is proud of you"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the Reinsdorf family, Chicago White Sox General Manager Ken Williams, and the entire Chicago White Sox organization.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 659

Offered by Representative Turner:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of Versie Lucille Wade Williams on October 16, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Versie Lucille Wade Williams was born on May 6, 1926 in Pickens, Mississippi to the late union of Versie Wade and Linnie Wade; the eldest of four children, she was preceded in death by her parents, Versie and Linnie Wade, and two sisters, Rosetta Daniels and Elizabeth Williams; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams was united in matrimony to Clarence Williams, Sr., in December 1944, and to this union eight children were born; four of her children preceded her in death: Clarence Jr., Oralee, Joe, and Michael; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams confessed in Christ at an early age at Mt. Moriah Baptist Church in Pickens, Mississippi; she was a faithful member of Central Memorial Missionary Baptist Church, where she was a member of the Willing Workers Club until her death; she worked at Little Company of Mary Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Representative Arthur Turner was always known as Curtis to Mrs. Williams; she also served as the neighbor children's mother; she was a mother to everyone; she and Mrs. Turner believed in buying food in bulk at a wholesale store, and they then divide the food between themselves; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams was a loving and kind person who would help any and everyone; she was loved and will be dearly missed; her survivors are: two daughters, Linnie Hughes and Patricia Appling (husband, James); two sons Eddie (wife, Jeanette) and Willie Williams; twenty-one grandchildren; forty-six great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; one brother, Clarence Murry, Sr.; one great aunt, Geneva; one brother-in-law, Eldridge Williams; a special nephew, Willie Earl Murry; two special friends, Catherine Turner and Alice Williams; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of Versie Lucille Wade Williams, and we extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Versie Lucille Wade Williams as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 660

Offered by Representative John Bradley:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois learned with sadness of the death of Al Oxford of Johnston City; and

WHEREAS, Al was born January 6, 1943 in Hardin County, the son of Gilbert and Cora (Ralph) Oxford; he married Iolanda (Serena) on April 27, 1977 in Harrisburg; and

WHEREAS, Al was a retired coal miner, last working at Rend Lake Consolidated Coal in 2003, and was a union representative for the UMWA; and

WHEREAS, Al was a veteran of the Cuban Missile Crisis - Bay of Pigs from 1960 to 1963, serving in the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, Al was an active member of the community; he was a member of the Lake Creek Masonic Lodge and a board member of the FRC; he was a Democratic precinct committeeman, had served on the Johnston City School Board, and had been a Johnston City alderman; Al was a member of Hurricane Baptist Church in Herrin, where he served as a trustee and a Yokefellow; he also was a member of the Buccaneer's Club of Johnston City; and

WHEREAS, Al was an inspiration to his family and countless friends, and his passing has been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Iolanda; his son, Brian, and wife Shelley; his daughter, Tonya Greenrod; his grandchildren, Ryan Oxford, Courtney Oxford, Kayleigh Oxford, Aaron Pogue, and Kaci Pogue; his sisters, Wanda Cash, Alma Gross (husband, Harold), and Betty Cash (husband, Ed); his brothers, Russel (wife, Jackie), Harry (wife, Jane), and Dave; and several nieces and nephews; he was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Winford and Kenny; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Al Oxford, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Al Oxford's family as an expression of our sincere condolences.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 661

Offered by Representative Bill Mitchell:

WHEREAS, The Hickory Point Fire Protection District, which celebrates its 50th anniversary on October 15, 2005, serves the Village of Forsyth, Hickory Point Township, and portions of Decatur; and

WHEREAS, The passage of a referendum in May 1953, created the Hickory Point Fire Protection District; following the election, the Macon County Circuit Court appointed the District's first trustees, Hoyt Coverstone, Edward Drobisch, and A.D. Tillman; and

WHEREAS, The Hickory Point District had humble beginnings; in the first year, the District's tax revenue was \$1,600; the next year, its tax revenues were cut in half because some land owners successfully petitioned the court to withdraw from the District; since Hickory Point could not afford a fire truck, it contracted with nearby fire protection districts to provide service for its territory; and

WHEREAS, After Caterpillar opened a plant within the Hickory Point District, tax revenues increased and met the District's needs; the assessed valuation of property in the District quickly grew from \$1.6 million in the first year to \$16.6 million in 1955; with the increased tax revenue, the Board purchased a fire truck for \$10,000; and

WHEREAS, Since the District did not have a firehouse in 1955, Everett "Bud" Hinkle garaged the fire truck; Bud notified the 25 firefighters of an alarm in the only way he could, he blared the siren as he drove,

picking up volunteer firefighters on the way to the fire; and

WHEREAS, In 1971, the Hickory Point firefighters responded to about 30 fire calls per year; today, the Department has 28 firefighters who respond to over 350 fire or medical emergency calls per year; and

WHEREAS, From the days of one fire truck and only a siren to notify volunteer firefighters, Hickory Point so progressed that it now owns nine fire and rescue vehicles and now reaches firefighters with radios, pagers, and cell phones; and

WHEREAS, The Hickory Point Fire Department proudly serves 4500 people in residential areas and on farms; additionally, the District has the responsibility to render emergency assistance to the employees and customers at the Hickory Point Mall, home centers, motels, restaurants, theaters, and a petroleum storage facility and truck terminal; and

WHEREAS, The Fire Department provides 5 important services: firefighting; hazardous material response; advanced life support emergency medical service, vehicle rescue (extrication), and search and rescue; and

WHEREAS, Hickory Point presents an elementary school fire and safety program each year in Forsyth; the Department's cadet program helps high school students explore fire service careers, partake in selected firefighter training, and provide limited support to firefighters or EMTs on emergency calls; and

WHEREAS, The Hickory Point Fire Protection District will honor its history, the selfless service and bravery of its firefighters and firefighters/EMTs, and all former District trustees at an Open House at the Hickory Point Fire Station and at the annual dinner sponsored by the Hickory Point Volunteer Firefighters, on October 15, 2005; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Hickory Point Fire Protection District and the Hickory Point Volunteer Firefighters on the District's 50th anniversary, and we thank the District and the firefighters for their tireless devotion to the emergency, fire, medical, and safety needs of the Forsyth and Hickory Point communities during the last five decades; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Hickory Point Fire Protection District as an expression of our esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 662

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:

WHEREAS, Aurora Chief of Police William J. Lawler is retiring from his position with the police force and has accepted a position of director for the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy; and

WHEREAS, Chief Lawler is a 26-year veteran of law enforcement; prior to his career with the Aurora Police Department, he served three years with the Kane County Sheriffs Department; he was appointed as a Police Officer for the City of Aurora on December 11, 1978; and

WHEREAS, During his career, Chief Lawler has worked in most units and divisions within the department, including Patrol, Crime Prevention, Investigations, Support Services, and Gang Intervention (now the Special Operations Group); he was a member of the department's Special Response Team and the Honor Guard; he served honorably in all ranks within the police department; he was promoted to Sergeant on April 25, 1990; to Lieutenant on July 10, 1993; and to Commander on December 21, 1996; and

WHEREAS, William J. Lawler was appointed as Aurora's first Deputy Chief of Police on January 26, 2000; his appointment as Chief of Police of the Aurora Police Department was effective July 20, 2002; and

WHEREAS, He is a graduate of West Aurora High School and holds a bachelor's degree in law enforcement administration from Western Illinois University and a master's degree in criminal justice from Aurora University; he lives in Aurora with his wife, Joanne, and daughter, Cathy; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Chief Lawler on the occasion of his retirement, and we thank him for his many years of devoted service to the protection of the citizens of Aurora; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Chief Lawler as an expression of our deepest respect and esteem and with best wishes in all of his future endeavors.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 664

Offered by Representative Beaubien:

WHEREAS, Bruce N. Johnson is retiring as Chief of Police of the Village of Round Lake Park and the Village of Hainesville after more than 20 years in Law Enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Chief Johnson, in addition to his position as Chief of Police, is an Adjunct Faculty Instructor at the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Police Staff and Command, and teaches courses in Forensics and Investigations at William Rainey Harper College; his academic credentials include a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Social Justice and a Master of Science Degree from Lewis University, where he graduated Summa Cum Laude; he has also completed an extensive number of courses and seminars, some conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Pennsylvania State University, University of Louisville, Illinois Emergency Management Agency, Norfolk Constabulary and New Scotland Yard, England, and the Garda Siochana College Templemore, Ireland; and

WHEREAS, Chief Johnson has served on the Lake County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, the College of Lake County Criminal Justice Institute Advisory Committee, and the Advisory Board of the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy; he is a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, serves on the Executive Board of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, and is a Past President of the Lake County Chiefs of Police Association; and

WHEREAS, Chief Johnson is a Board Member of the Lake County After School Coalition, the Round Lake Area Exchange Club, and the Institute for Public Safety Partnerships; he is a Member of the B.E.S.T. Program Development Committee and the Character Counts Coalition; he is also a Chief Warrant Officer in the United States Marine Corps Reserve and a member of American Legion Post 1170; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Johnson and his lovely wife Dee Dee have three bright, happy, and caring children: son Joseph, 14, son John, 11, and daughter Jacey, 4; Chief Johnson is also very proud of his involvement with, and being co-founder of, the Mano a Mano Family Resource Center, which provides much needed services for the diversified community of the Round Lake area; the Center provides instruction in English as a second language, health education, parenting, child care services, and much more; and

WHEREAS, Chief Johnson is also the coordinator for the Round Lake Park-Hainesville Police Department's Shop With A Cop Holiday Program, which has raised approximately \$150,000 to benefit more than 1,500 of the Round Lake area's most disadvantaged children and families; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Bruce N. Johnson on his retirement as Chief of Police of the Village of Round Lake Park and the Village of Hainesville; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Chief Johnson as an expression of our respect and esteem and with best wishes for a pleasant retirement.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 665

Offered by Representative Lang:

WHEREAS, Mayor George Van Dusen of the Village of Skokie has enjoyed a distinguished career as a public servant; he has served as Mayor of the Village of Skokie since 1999; before serving as Mayor, he served as a Village Trustee and as Assistant Supervisor of Niles Township; he also served as Legislative Assistant and Director of Suburban Operations for U.S. Congressman Sidney R. Yates; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Van Dusen has been a resident of Skokie for more than 25 years; he is an active member of his community and is involved with a multitude of community organizations, including the United Way of Skokie Valley, Temple Judea Mizpah, Skokie Indians Little League, and the Highland School PTA; he is also a member of the adjunct faculty at Oakton Community College, where he teaches American and European history and American government; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Van Dusen is an active member of the Northwest Municipal Conference, addressing the needs and issues confronting the Village of Skokie and the northwest region of the State; he serves as a member of both the Conference's Executive and Legislative Committees and has worked tirelessly on issues related to telecommunications, E-911, tax increment financing, household hazardous waste disposal, and transfer taxes; he serves as Chairman of the Board of the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County and worked to implement the Village of Skokie's comprehensive recycling program, which has served as a model for many other communities; he is also a member of the Executive

Committee of the Chicago Transportation Study and Co-Chair of the North Shore Council of Mayors; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Van Dusen has played a leading role in the development of the Illinois Science and Technology Park, which will benefit the entire State by directly providing over 3,000 jobs and by creating an additional 14,000 jobs and an estimated \$1.8 billion in economic activity; his effort to support the biotechnology industry in Illinois will mean more jobs, wealth, and excitement for the State of Illinois and will help put Illinois at the forefront of an industry attempting to defeat disease and malnutrition worldwide; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we celebrate Mayor George Van Dusen's exceptional dedication to the well-being of his community and his efforts to make Illinois a leader in the field of biotechnology; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mayor George Van Dusen of the Village of Skokie as an expression of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 666

Offered by Representative Flider:

WHEREAS, The United Auto Workers Local 751 was chartered on October 10, 1955 and the first membership meeting was held on December 15, 1955; and

WHEREAS, The employment level peaked in January of 1979 at 4,963; and

WHEREAS, The 22nd Executive Board and Committee took office in June of 2005; and

WHEREAS, Members of United Auto Workers Local 751 proudly produced the world's largest mining truck, which weighed 470 tons; and

WHEREAS, United Auto Workers Local 751 is the only producer in the Caterpillar chain able to produce 6 sizes of wheel tractor scrapers; and

WHEREAS, Members of United Auto Workers Local 751 live throughout central and southern Illinois from north of Peoria to south Vandalia; and

WHEREAS, United Auto Workers Local 751 has over 1,700 retirees; and

WHEREAS, Over the past 50 years, United Auto Workers Local 751 has consistently fought for the rights and well-being of the working families who build the vehicles and equipment that make our economy work; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the United Auto Workers Local 751 on its 50th anniversary and recognize all of its members for their role in building a successful union; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Executive Board and Committee of United Auto Workers Local 751.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 667

Offered by Representative Flider:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois learned with sadness of the death in the line of duty of Officer Robin G. Vogel of Springfield on Monday, October 03, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Officer Vogel was born on September 6, 1968, in Arlington Heights to Robert and Marilyn Pavlicek Cisowski; she had been a Police Officer for the city of Decatur for the last six years and was a member of the PB&PA #39 and the Springfield Ski and Boat Club; she was a third-shift patrol officer, a field training officer, and a cultural diversity officer; and

WHEREAS, She recently received her Associates Degree from Lincoln Land Community College and enjoyed outdoor activities, but she especially liked to play softball; and

WHEREAS, To her colleagues, she was known as energetic, upbeat, and spirited; her enthusiastic attitude rubbed off on all those with whom she came into contact; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Officer Robin Vogel has been deeply felt by many, especially her son, Alex West; her parents, Robert and Marilyn Pavlicek Cisowski; her sisters, Cheryl Davis and Suzie Brown

(husband, Bruce); her grandfather, Louis Pavlicek; her nephews, Justin and Matthew Brown; her ex-husband, Michael Vogel; her special friend, Adam Jahraus; and her many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends; she was preceded in death by her maternal grandmother, Grace Pavlicek, and her paternal grandparents, Nicholas and Jennie Cisowski; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Officer Robin G. Vogel, and we extend our deepest sympathy to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to her family as an expression of our sincerest condolences.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 668

Offered by Representative Mendoza:

WHEREAS, In December 2004, tsunami waves created by an undersea earthquake near Indonesia devastated large sectors of the coasts of India, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, and Thailand; and

WHEREAS, President George W. Bush declared a national initiative to assist affected nations with recovery and relief; and

WHEREAS, President Bush called upon former Presidents Bill Clinton and George H.W. Bush to provide leadership for the response to the tsunami tragedy from the federal government, other nations, the private sector, the non-profit sector, and individuals; and

WHEREAS, There is a dearth of imaging equipment in India, and thus an important need of the tsunami victims is a CT scan for their physicians to accurately diagnose medical conditions; and

WHEREAS, The Meenakshi Mission Hospital and Research Centre in Tamil Nadu, India, attends to the diagnosis and treatment of the injuries and illnesses of the tsunami victims; the Centre serves low-income and indigent populations at the Hospital and villagers in rural areas at community centers; a mobile CT scan would materially enhance the Centre's services to tsunami victims; and

WHEREAS, Direct Relief International, a non-profit, non-sectarian medical relief organization, supports disaster relief around the world, including tsunami-affected populations in India, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, and Thailand; Direct Relief coordinated the Centre's need for a mobile CT scan with the generosity of Illinois individuals, such as Joel Willard who owned the CT scan, and businesses, such as Navistar, to bring the Centre's hope to reality; and

WHEREAS, Navistar International Truck and Engine Corporation, of Warrenville, Illinois, the nation's largest commercial truck, school bus and mid-range diesel engine producer, created and donated a specialized towing tractor to transport the mobile CT scan throughout Tamil Nadu, India; and

WHEREAS, The Speaker of the House, Dennis Hastert, has been instrumental in processing a request that the U.S. military transport the mobile CT scan to India; Congressman Daniel Lipinski joined Speaker Hastert in this effort; and

WHEREAS, This unique collaborative effort among the public, private, and non-profit sectors of different nations to meet an important need of the tsunami victims by providing a mobile CT scan will serve thousands of people in India by providing physicians with data to make accurate diagnoses; and

WHEREAS, On October 22, 2005, at the dedication ceremony at the Illinois National Guard North Riverside Armory the mobile CT scan and Navistar tractor will be unveiled; and

WHEREAS, Dr. N. Sethuraman from India, the Founder of the Meenakshi Mission Hospital & Research Centre, who traveled to the United States for this dedication is hereby honored for his humanitarian contributions to healthcare in India for the indigent, and given our warmest welcome to the United States and the State of Illinois as he accepts the mobile CT scan for use in the Mobile CT Imaging Program for Tsunami Survivors in Tamil Nadu, India; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas Tighe, the President and CEO of Direct Relief International, who traveled here from Direct Relief's California headquarters, is also given a warm Illinois welcome for being present to complete this gift of equipment for the heavily impacted east coast of Tamil Nadu; and

WHEREAS, In India, the mobile CT scan will travel over 500 kilometers from northern Tamil Nadu to the southern tip of the state and provide imaging diagnostic services to the tsunami-affected coastal region; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we warmly welcome Dr. N. Sethuraman and Mr.

Thomas Tighe to Illinois for this dedication, and that we commend and congratulate Dr. N. Sethuraman, the Meenakshi Mission Hospital & Research Centre, Joel Willard, Navistar International Truck and Engine Corporation, Mr. Thomas Tighe, Direct Relief International, the Illinois National Guard, and the United States government and its military services for their cooperation and coordination in this humanitarian project; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Dr. N. Sethuraman, Joel Willard, Navistar International, Mr. Thomas Tighe, Speaker Hastert, Congressman Lipinski, and the Illinois National Guard North Riverside Armory as an expression of our esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 669

Offered by Representative John Bradley:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to recognize milestone events in the lives of the citizens of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Walter H. Warfield, Ph.D., will be retiring June 30, 2006, after 38 years of service in the field of education; he has served as Executive Director of the Illinois Association of School Administrators (IASA) since 1992; and

WHEREAS, Beginning as a teacher, sponsor, and coach at Madison High and Junior High Schools in 1968 to 1973, Dr. Warfield's career carried him through successive positions as Principal for Mason City High School from 1973 to 1977 and research assistant for Illinois State University from 1977 to 1978; and

WHEREAS, He then served as Superintendent for Fairfield Community High School District from 1978 to 1984, Mattoon Community Unit School District from 1984 to 1988, and Decatur Public Schools from 1988 to 1992; in 1992, he was selected by the IASA as its Executive Director; and

WHEREAS, He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in History in 1968 and Master of Science degree in Education Administration in 1973 from Southern Illinois University; he received his Doctor of Philosophy degree in Education Administration in 1978 from Illinois State University; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his community activities, Dr. Warfield previously served on and continues to serve on numerous educational consortia and other associations and committees relating to the field of education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Warfield showed a strong commitment to educational excellence and leadership and the importance of friendship, humor, and commitment to the quality of life; and

WHEREAS, He and his wife, Catherine, have three children, Christy, Jason, and Jennifer, and four grandchildren, Clare, Declan, Conor, and Sofia; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we honor and recognize Executive Director Warfield for his 38 years of service and outstanding leadership in the field of education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Executive Director Warfield as an expression of our respect and esteem and with our best wishes to him, his wife Catherine, and their family on the occasion of his retirement.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 670

Offered by Representative Black:

WHEREAS, Larry McConkey, head of REHAB Products and Service for 31 years, retired on October 1, 2005; known by employees as a kind and understanding man, his service at REHAB was a labor of love; and

WHEREAS, REHAB Products and Services provides employment development and work activities for persons with disabilities, both on-site and in the community; and

WHEREAS, When Mr. McConkey joined REHAB in 1974, he had five employees and a budget of \$96,000; today, the business is a \$2.5 million operation with 75 employees and another 75 persons with disabilities working at REHAB and in the community; its headquarters, which started out as a 7,000-square-foot building, has expanded to over 30,000-square-feet in order to accommodate the growth in business; REHAB also maintains three off-site operations, two maintenance contracts, and a distribution

operation in the community; and

WHEREAS, Last year, REHAB job-placed 29 persons with disabilities in the community; they also provide grounds and building maintenance for three State of Illinois rest areas, handle distribution operations for the Department of Veterans Affairs' Illiana Health Care System, and provide janitorial services for U.S. Can Co. and the U.S. Army Reserves; and

WHEREAS, In his retirement, Mr. McConkey plans to do some traveling with his wife, Kay, and spend more time with his children and four grandchildren; he also looks forward to attending auctions to look for antiques and old tools to pursue his hobby of restoring old furniture; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Larry McConkey on the occasion of his retirement as head of REHAB Products and Services after 31 years of service, and we wish him many years of health and happiness; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to him as an expression of our respect and esteem.

RECALL

By unanimous consent, on motion of Representative Pihos, SENATE BILL 1943 was recalled from the order of Third Reading to the order of Second Reading and held on that order.

RESOLUTION

Having been reported out of the Committee on Rules earlier today, HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 65 was taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the resolution.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 598, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 607, 608, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 618, 619, 620, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 630, 631, 632, 633, 635, 636, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 651, 652, 653, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669 and 670 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the Agreed Resolutions were adopted.

SUSPEND POSTING REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to the motion submitted previously, Representative Kosel moved to suspend the posting requirements in Rule 25 in relation to Senate Bill 293.

The motion prevailed.

RECESS

At the hour of 12:13 o'clock p.m., Speaker Madigan moved that the House do now take a recess for the Governor to address the Joint Session.

The motion prevailed.

**JOINT SESSION
12:00 O'CLOCK NOON**

The hour having arrived, the time heretofore fixed by Joint Resolution adopted by the Senate and the House of Representative, the Joint Session convened for the purpose of receiving the Governor to deliver the "All Kids" program in person to the Ninety-Fourth General Assembly.

The Senate, preceded by the Honorable President Jones, and Members of the Senate, appeared in the Hall of the House of Representative and, by direction of the Speaker, took the seats assigned to them.

The two Houses being convened in Joint Session, President Jones of the Senate announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.

Speaker Madigan, of the House of Representatives, announced that a quorum of the House was present.

A majority of each House of the General Assembly being present, the Speaker of the House announced the Joint Session duly formed.

Representative Currie offered the following resolution and moved its adoption.

JOINT SESSION RESOLUTION 3

RESOLVED, That a committee of ten be appointed, five from the House, by the Speaker of the House, and five from the Senate, by the President of the Senate, to wait upon His Excellency Governor Rod Blagojevich and invite him to address the Joint Assembly.

The motion prevailed.

The President of the Senate announced his appointments, as Members of such Committee, on the part of the Senate: Senators Deanna Demuzio, Kirk Dillard, Debbie Halvorson, John Millner and Arthur Wilhelmi.

The Speaker of the House announced the appointments, as Members of such Committee, on part of the House: Representatives Sara Feigenholtz, Charles Jefferson, Sandra Pihos, Harry Ramey and Patrick Verschoore.

His Excellency, Governor Rod Blagojevich, was admitted into the Hall of the House of Representatives, and was presented to the General Assembly, to deliver his message in person as follows:

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

**GOVERNOR ROD BLAGOJEVICH
"ALL KIDS" PROGRAM**

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Senate President Jones, Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly. Before I begin, I'd like to ask each and every one of you to join me in a moment of silent prayer on the passing of Rosa Parks, a great civil rights leader. Because of her heroism and refusal to accept the way things are, one person did indeed make a big, big difference. And so, please join me in a moment of silent prayer. Thank you very much. Speaker Madigan, Senate President Jones, thank you so much for giving me this opportunity to speak to a Joint Session of the General Assembly. I know this is rare and unusual to do this during a Veto Session, but I asked for this time because I wanted to talk to all of you about something. I can't imagine anything more important than what I'm going to talk about today and what we're trying to get done for the children of our state. First of all, let me firmly assert that we all love our children and there is nothing more important than keeping them healthy and happy and safe. And so, I asked for this time because we have an opportunity now to do something that has never been done before in Illinois and something that no state anywhere in America is currently doing and that is providing health care to every single child in the State of Illinois. Over the last two and a half years, we've had an opportunity to work together on a variety of different issues. When I took office two and a half years ago, we walked into a budget deficit of more than \$5.5 billion, in the second year, a \$2.3 billion, and in the third year, more than \$1 billion. Notwithstanding, record budget deficits of nearly \$9 billion, together we've been able to dig ourselves out of the worst fiscal crisis in our state's history and keep our promise to the

people of this state. We did it without raising taxes and we did it without sacrificing our values. We put more money in our schools than any other state in the Midwest. We provided more money for public safety and crime rates are down now to lower levels than any time in the last generation. We put more money to give 3- and 4-year-olds a chance to go to preschool because of your hard work. Twenty five thousand kids who couldn't go to preschool can now go to preschool today. And in the area of health care, at a time when 40 other states across the country are balancing their budgets on the backs of families and children who need health care, thanks to so many of you here, we in Illinois have done it differently. Today more kids have health care in Illinois than had it before we had a chance to have a say in this process. When I first took office, there was more than 400 thousand kids in our state who didn't have access to health insurance. Thanks to your hard work and the efforts we put together, a hundred and seventy thousand more kids have health care today than had it before. Thanks to your hard work, we've been able to provide health care, make it more affordable, and more available to a lot more people. We've helped our senior citizens by having a law called the Leave No Senior Behind Law, which covers our senior citizens in the areas where the new Federal Medicare Bill would not. We now have a program in our state, the I-Save Prescription Drug Program, that gives to every single senior citizen in Illinois a chance to get the same medicines they get now made by the exact same companies only through our program they can get it for discounts of 25 to 50 percent off. We've vastly expanded access to women's health care. We've provided more money in the FamilyCare Program so more than 160 thousand men and women who work but didn't have health care, now have health care today. And again, because of your hard work, 170 thousand more kids have health care today because we invested more in the KidCare Program and we enrolled more kids in the KidCare Program. In spite of these historic deficits, we've advanced in the area of health care and in spite of the challenges we've faced, we have advanced and given more kids the opportunities that every kid and every child in Illinois ought to have. Yet in spite of our best efforts, there are still more than a quarter of a million children in Illinois who don't have access to health care. There are still a quarter of a million children whose parents can't afford to take them to the doctor for regular checkups. Whose parents can't afford to take them to the dentist to keep a cavity from requiring a root canal. Whose parents can't afford to take their daughter to the eye doctor because she might need glasses so she can do better in school. A quarter of a million kids whose parents can't afford the high cost of medicine and God forbid if their child needs to go to the hospital, can't afford the high cost of a hospital stay. In fact, the number one cause of personal bankruptcies in America are working families who do what they have to do when their children are very sick, they take them to the hospital anyway, but they can't pay those bills and then those families who deal with an unbelievable challenge, a sick child, find themselves where they are financially ruined. I asked to speak to you today because we have a unique opportunity right now, right here in Illinois. I asked to speak to you today because I would like all of you in this chamber, Democrats and Republicans, to join me to give every single child in Illinois the same kind of health care that we have for our kids. We have the chance to do here in Illinois something no other state has done and what our leaders in Washington won't do. We can provide health care to all the kids in Illinois. Throughout our history some of the greatest advances in social progress have begun in the states. In the middle of the nineteenth century, at a time when only the kids of the wealthy and only the kids from families who had means could go to school, Horace Mann led a movement in Massachusetts that gave every child a chance to get a public education. In the mid-nineteenth century, Horace Mann led the way and Massachusetts did something that the Federal Government and our country ultimately adopted. In the early twentieth century in states like Pennsylvania and Ohio, at a time when a 10-year-old child would work in a coal mine, those states passed laws that abolished child labor. And at the end of the last century, as recently as the mid-1980s in a state just north of us, in Wisconsin, welfare reform was examined and explored. A laboratory of change in Wisconsin that ultimately led to President Clinton's signing, at the federal level, welfare reform legislation in 1996. And now here at the dawn of the twenty-first century, right here, right now in Illinois we have an opportunity to lead the nation. If we seize this moment, we can do for the kids in Illinois something our country did for senior citizens back in 1965. Forty years ago our country made a decision that every senior citizen should have access to affordable health care; 1965, we made a decision as a country to guarantee access to all of our elderly so they can go to the doctor if they need to. Forty years after Medicare, 99 percent of senior citizens have access to health care, but 40 years after Medicare more than 8 million kids in our country don't and a quarter of a million of those kids live right here in Illinois. Now, who are these kids? First of all, let me tell you who they're not. They're not our children. Fortunately for us, our kids have health care. The Governor and the men and women of the General Assembly, the men and women in the Congress, the President, all of us fortunately, those of us who make the rules are fortunate and blessed to be able to afford health care for our kids. These kids are

not by large the children of the wealthy. The wealthy and those with means can afford health care for their kids with some exceptions in cases of preexisting conditions and other issues where private insurance won't cover an illness. And they're not the kids of the poor because fortunately and thankfully, we have programs in place that provide health care to the poor. No, the kids I'm talking about are kids that come from primarily working-class and middle-class families. Families that in America do what you're supposed to do, they work for a living. There are tens of thousands of families all across Illinois who every single day do what you're supposed to do. They get up every morning, they go to work. They work hard. They pay their taxes. They play by the rules, but through no fault of their own, they make either too much money to be eligible for public assistance but not nearly enough money to afford health care premiums of two, three, four, five hundred dollars a month. The children of working families are the children that are falling through the cracks. It's not supposed to be that way in America. In America if you work hard, you're supposed to get ahead, you're not supposed to fall behind. It is not what the American dream is supposed to be. They are families like the families that I've had a chance to meet. Like the Sanchez family that lives on the 59 hundred block, South Kolmar near Midway Airport. Bianca Sanchez is a single mom with a daughter named Soledad, age seven. It's the two of them against the world. They live in a basement apartment in a little bungalow, a modest little space, but it's their space in their little corner of the world. And every single day Bianca, being the loving mother that she is, gets up every single morning, drives her daughter to school and then she goes to work. And then she takes her lunch, not at 12:00 or 1:00 like most people do, but schedules her lunch at her job at a health clinic at 3:00 so she can go to school, pick up her daughter, and then take her back to day care when she then goes back to work to fill out her shift. Bianca Sanchez, when she was first hired at the health care clinic she now works at, was being paid \$6.25 an hour. And when she was paid that wage, she could afford to pay for health care for her daughter, Soledad, through the KidCare Program. But then Bianca did something that you're really supposed to do. She did a good job on the job. She worked hard, her employer and boss noticed it, they gave her a promotion, gave her more responsibilities and they did what you're supposed to do, paid her more money. So much so that now she's being paid \$36 thousand a year, but one thing happened to her. She literally worked herself out of health care for her daughter. Something is upside down. If you do what you're supposed to do, you work hard and you've made it worse for your child, not better. That's not what America is supposed to be. Take the Baldwin family that I met recently in Moline, a young couple just starting out with a 17-month-old son, Zachary. The two of them both work, mom and dad both work. Dad works the daytime shift at the Blackhawk Freight Company in the Quad Cities. He works 52 hours a week, works hard, works overtime. Mom works at night as a supervisor at the Burger King. Together mom and dad are working 82 hours a week. Their combined income is about \$38 thousand a year. Too much money for the KidCare Program but not nearly enough to afford health care premiums of \$378 a month, which is what the Blackhawk Freight Company would offer to Mr. Baldwin or the \$1 thousand deductible that they'd be required to pay anytime little Zachary had to go to the doctor. And then there's the Evans family, a family of six from the Southside of Chicago, mom and dad and four kids. Dad works making \$53 thousand a year, mom is raising the four kids. In order to get health insurance for the four kids, it would cost the Evans family more than \$13 hundred a month. On \$53 thousand a year, the Evans family simply can't afford to give their kids the health care coverage that we are blessed and fortunate enough to provide for our kids. The Baldwin family, the Evans family, and Bianca and Soledad Sanchez are being penalized for working. This is not what our country is supposed to be about. And don't think these problems are isolated or only confined to only some parts of Illinois, because there are stories like this in every part of our state. Right here in Sangamon County, in the seat of our State Government, nearly 9 percent of the kids in Sangamon County don't have health insurance. In Pulaski County, in the southern tip of our state, 15 percent of the kids can't afford to get health insurance, their parents can't afford to provide them health insurance. In Cook County, 12 percent of the kids don't have health insurance and even in DuPage County, one of the 25 wealthiest counties in America, fully 7 percent of the children in DuPage County don't have health insurance. If we ignore this problem, what does it say about us? If we look the other way and we fail to act, what does it say about us? A recent editorial from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch sums it up. They wrote that children who get regular checkups are healthier than children who don't. Children with chronic illnesses like asthma or diabetes aren't as sick as often if they can visit their doctor regularly. Children, who get to see the doctor when they need one, don't suffer as much as children who can't. And finally, keeping children healthy shouldn't be a partisan issue. So I say to you, this is a matter of common sense and simple human decency. Working together we can do something in Illinois to help those children. Why should any child have to suffer, if we have it in our power to do something to prevent it? How can we say to the Baldwin family, the Evans family, to Bianca and Soledad, and tens of thousands of families like them all across our state that

we can't help? How can we do nothing when, for a relatively small investment, we can do the right thing. That's why I proposed the AllKids Program. It's an affordable program; it's not free. It's a comprehensive program which means that the families that participate in this health care program will be able to take their child to the doctor for regular checkups, visit the dentist for regular checkups, see the eye doctor for regular checkups, help them pay for the high cost of medicine to keep their kids healthy, or get them healthy, and of course, in those situations, God forbid, they have to be able to afford the cost of their child being in a hospital. Now, the question many have asked and rightfully so, is how do we pay for this? First of all as I said, this program is not free. Families that participate in this program are required to pay premiums based upon their income and the number of kids in their families. It's a sliding scale based upon families' ability to pay and their affordability. So for example, a family of four that earns between 40 and 50 thousand dollars a year would be required to pay monthly insurance premiums of \$40 per child. In a family of four with two kids, it would cost \$80 a month and then it's capped after two kids. So you could have three, four, five kids, it would cost no more than \$80 a month. Those families would be required to pay co-payments of \$10 for every visit. For families earning between 60 and 80 thousand dollars a year, families participating in this program would be required to pay insurance premiums of \$70 a month, two kids would cost \$140 a month but no more than that if there are more than two kids, and the co-payments for those families would be \$15 a month. Now, 70 percent of the kids in Illinois who don't have insurance are kids who come from families that earn between 40 and 80 thousand dollars a year. We have a chance to help those families. In addition to the contribution the families that participate would pay into this program, we would also save money by adopting what 29 other states across the country have done, an element of managed care in our Medicaid program. By having what is known as a primary care case manager, a doctor. Not an insurance agent or an insurance adjuster or a claims adjuster but a doctor. Having that doctor serve as a gatekeeper and providing continuity of care for the men and women and children currently in the Medicaid program, we can save more than \$50 million. And by having another component called 'disease management', which very simply is if a child has asthma make sure that child gets an inhaler before that child needs to be hospitalized for asthma. Or if an adult or grownup is a diabetic and needs insulin, make sure that the diabetic, and the grownup, gets the insulin before he or she needs to deal with it... stay at the hospital because of a diabetic seizure. By implementing a primary care case manager and disease management and coupling with that the money that the families that participate would pay into the program, this is how we pay for our AllKids Insurance Program. We would save \$57 million next year and \$100 million in 5 years. In short, we have found a way to insure all the kids in Illinois without raising taxes and without any additional spending. Plus, it's good for the economy. A health care industry in Illinois is the second fastest growing industry in our state. According to a recent study by FamiliesUSA nearly \$88 million in business activity is attributed to investments made in health care. In addition to that, under our AllKids Program, if we make these investments, wages will increase by \$30 million in the first year of the program. And providing health care to all kids without insurance, also helps all of us. Because the reality is when a child is sick and doesn't have health care and that child needs to go to the hospital, ultimately, that hospital bill is passed on to the consumers, passed on to the rest of us who pay in the form of higher insurance premiums. That same study by FamiliesUSA indicates that all of us with insurance pay for the uninsured to the tune of \$1,059 more every year in the premiums that we pay in order to insure our kids and our families. I believe this issue is as simple as the golden rule. Something so many of us here in this chamber learned when we went to Sunday school. That you ought to do unto others as you would have others do unto you. We have an opportunity together to live the golden rule, to give to all the kids in Illinois what we're fortunate enough to have for our kids. There are a lot of reasons to do this, common sense, financial sense. We know it will work. But there's one overriding reason. You see it every time you look at your son or your daughter. We need to do this because this is the right thing to do for the kids. That's why we're here, it's why we all ran for office. We're here to help people build better lives. This is a historic chance to do that and we have a historic opportunity to help children. Health care is not a privilege, it's a right. It's a right as fundamental as civil rights, it's a right as fundamental as giving every child a chance to get a public education. Our founding fathers built our country on the promise that all of us have an inalienable right to life and liberty and the pursuit of happiness. This is our chance to give all of our kids the opportunity to follow that vision and to pursue that dream and to live a life as full and as healthy as we would expect our children to lead. I hope you pass this Bill. Thank you very much."

At the hour of 12:47 o'clock p.m., President Jones moved that the Joint Assembly do now arise.
The motion prevailed.

The Senate having withdrawn, the House resumed its session.
Speaker of the House Madigan in the Chair.

SENATE BILLS ON SECOND READING

Having been printed, the following bills were taken up, read by title a second time and held on the order of Second Reading: SENATE BILLS 204, 273, 293, 319, 331, 1213, 1445, 1620 and 1681.

At the hour of 5:05 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Wednesday, October 26, 2005, at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

The motion prevailed.

And the House stood adjourned.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
NINETY-FOURTH
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE ROLL CALL
QUORUM ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

October 25, 2005

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114 PRESENT

P Acevedo	P Delgado	P Lang	P Pritchard
E Bailey	P Dugan	P Leitch	P Ramey
P Bassi	P Dunkin	P Lindner	P Reis
P Beaubien	P Dunn	P Lyons, Eileen	P Reitz
P Beiser	P Eddy	P Lyons, Joseph	P Rita
P Bellock	P Feigenholtz	P Mathias	P Rose
P Berrios	P Flider	P Mautino	P Ryg
P Biggins	P Flowers	P May	P Sacia
P Black	P Franks	P McAuliffe	P Saviano
P Boland	P Fritchey	P McCarthy	P Schmitz
P Bost	P Froehlich	P McGuire	P Schock
P Bradley, John	P Giles	P McKeon	P Scully
P Bradley, Richard	P Gordon	P Mendoza	P Smith
P Brady	P Graham	P Meyer	P Sommer
P Brauer	P Granberg	P Miller	P Soto
P Brosnahan	P Hamos	P Mitchell, Bill	P Stephens
P Burke	P Hannig	P Mitchell, Jerry	P Sullivan
P Chapa LaVia	E Hassert	P Moffitt	P Tenhouse
P Chavez	P Hoffman	P Molaro	P Tryon
P Churchill	P Holbrook	P Mulligan	P Turner
P Collins	P Howard	P Munson	P Verschoore
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P Cross	P Jefferson	P Osmond	P Watson
P Cultra	P Jenisch	E Osterman	P Winters
P Currie	P Jones	P Parke	P Yarbrough
P D'Amico	P Joyce	P Patterson	P Younge
P Daniels	P Kelly	P Phelps	P Mr. Speaker
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P Davis, William	P Krause	P Poe	

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